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THIS Day Her Majeſty came to the Houſe of Peers, and being in Her Royal Robes, ſeated on the Throne with the uſual Solemnity, Sir *William Oldes*, Gentleman-Uſher of the Black Rod, was ſent with a Meſſage from Her Majeſty to the Houſe of Commons, requiring their Attendance in the Houſe of Peers: The Commons being come thither accordingly, Her Majeſty was pleaſed to make the following moſt Gracious Speech to both Houſes.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Have much Satisfaction in being able, at the Opening this Parliament, to tell you, That the Ratifications of the Treaties of Peace and of Commerce with Spain *are Exchanged, by which My Subjects will have greater Opportunities than ever to Improve and Extend their Trade. Many Advantages formerly enjoyed by Connivance, and procured by ſuch Methods as made a Diſtinction between one* Britiſh *Merchant and another, are now Settled by Treaty, and an Equal Rule is Eſtabliſhed.*

It has pleaſed God to bleſs My Endeavours to Obtain an Honourable and Advantagious Peace for My own People, and for the greateſt Part of My Allies. Nothing which I can do, ſhall be Wanting to render it Univerſal. And I Perſuade My Self that, with your Hearty Concurrence, My Interpoſition may at laſt prove effectual to Compleat the Settlement of Europe.

In the mean while, I Congratulate with My own Subjects, that they are Delivered from a Conſuming Land-War, and Entered on a Peace; the good Effects whereof nothing but Inteſtine Diviſions can Obſtruct.

It was the Glory of the Wiſeſt and Greateſt of My Predeceſſors, to hold the Balance of Europe, *and to keep it Equal by Caſting in their Weight as Neceſſity required. By this Conduct they Enriched the Kingdom, and Rendered themſelves Dreadful to their Enemies, and Uſeful to their Friends. I have Proceeded on the ſame Principle, and I doubt not but My Succeſſors will follow theſe Examples.*

Our Situation points out to Us Our true Intereſt; for this Country can Flouriſh only by Trade, and will be moſt Formidable by the right Application of Our Naval Force.

Gentlemen of the Houſe of Commons,

I have Ordered ſuch Accounts to be prepared and laid before you, as will ſhew you, at the Concluſion of the War, the true State of your Condition, whereby you will be better able to judge what Aids are Neceſſary; And I only ask of you Supplies for the Current Service of the Year, and for the Diſcharge of ſuch Debts as you ſhall find, on Examination, to be Juſt and Reaſonable.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The Joy which has been generally Expreſſed on My Recovery from My late Indiſpoſition, and on My Coming to this City, I eſteem as a Return to that Tender

Affection

Affection which I have always had for My People.

I wiſh that Effectual Care had been taken, as I have often deſired, to Suppreſs thoſe Seditious Papers, and Factious Rumours, by which Deſigning Men have been able to ſink Credit, and the Innocent have ſuffered.

There are ſome who have arrived to that height of Malice, as to Inſinuate, that the Proteſtant Succeſſion in the Houſe of Hanover *is in Danger under My Government.*

Thoſe who go about thus to Diſtract the Minds of Men with imaginary Dangers, can only mean to Diſturb the Preſent Tranquillity, and to bring real Miſchiefs upon Us.

After all I have done to Secure Our Religion, and your Liberties, and to Tranſmit both ſafe to Poſterity, I cannot mention theſe Proceedings without ſome Degree of Warmth; And I muſt hope you will all agree with Me, that Attempts to Weaken My Authority, or to Render the Poſſeſſion of the Crown uneaſie to Me, can never be Proper Means to Strengthen the Proteſtant Succeſſion.

I have done, and ſhall continue to do, My beſt for the good of all My Subjects. Let it be your Endeavour, as it ſhall be Mine, to Unite Our Differences, not by Relaxing from the ſtricteſt Adherence to Our Conſtitution in Church and State, but by Obſerving the Laws your ſelves, and Enforcing a due Obedience to them in others.

A long War has not only Impoveriſhed the Publick (however ſome Particular Men may have been Gainers by it) but has alſo greatly Affected Government it ſelf.

Let it be your Care ſo to Improve the preſent Opportunity, as to lay the Foundation of Recovering from thoſe Diſorders.

I had the Concurrence of the laſt Parliament in making the Peace; let it be the Honour of this, to Aſſiſt Me in Obtaining ſuch Fruits from it, as may not only derive Bleſſings on the preſent Age, but even down to lateſt Poſterity.

Venice, February 16. *N. S.* The Carnaval ended here on the 13th without any Diſorder. They write from Rome, that a Congregation of Cardinals had been held in the Preſence of the Pope upon the Affairs of Ferrara, and ſeveral Expedients were propoſed to put an End to the Diſputes with the Government of Milan. A Courier was arrived from Paris with Diſpatches for the Cardinal de la Tremouille, who upon the receipt of them had a long Audience of the Pope. The Marquis de Prie had likewiſe been admitted to an Audience. The Mortality of Cattle continued to ſuch a degree, that the Land remained untilled in ſeveral Parts. Letters from Naples bring an Account, that Mount Veſuvius for ſeveral Days had vomitted Flames of Sulphur, with ſuch violent noiſe as had ſhaken the whole City, and raiſed great Terror in the Inhabitants.

Bruſſels, February 21. *N. S.* The 17th being the Anniverſary of Her Majeſty's Birth-day, was celebrated here, and in all the other Cities of the Netherlands with great Solemnity, the Regency having before diſpatch'd Circular Letters to the reſpective Magiſtrates for that purpoſe. The Earl of Strafford, Ambaſſador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Her Majeſty, arrived here on the 12th, and was received with all the Honours due to his Character. The Regency and Magiſtrates went to pay their Compliments to him, and were extreamly pleaſed with the Aſſurances he gave them of the continuance of Her Majeſty's moſt gracious Protection to theſe Countries. On the 15th his Excellency purſu'd his Journey to the Hague. Monſieur Van den Berg, the ordinary Dutch Deputy reſiding at this Place, is returned from Holland. The Holſtein Regiment of Dragoons formerly Quarter'd at Bruges, and the Regiment of Foot of the ſame Nation that was at Gand, being diſcharged from the Queen's Service, are upon their return home through this Province. Letters from Stutguard of the 16th bring an Account, that Prince Eugene continued ſtill in the Neighbourhood of that Place, and Mareſchal Villars at Strasbourg, expecting the return of Monſieur de Contade with the Reſolutions of the French Court upon the Emperor's laſt Propoſals of Peace.

Hanover, March 2. *N. S.* His Electoral Highneſs hath conferred the Government of

of the Town of Hamelen, vacant by the Death of General Sommerfeldt, upon Major-General Clinkenſtorn, who is gone to take Poſſeſſion of that Employment. The Elector's Troops, which ſerved laſt Campaign on the Upper Rhine, are commanded to be in a readineſs to March upon the firſt Order, and as they have not yet been Recruited, it is thought they will be filled up out of the other Regiments that remain in this Country. Count Reventlau, Miniſter of Holſtein, is returned hither from Brunſwick, and the other Miniſters, who were at that Place, except thoſe of his Imperial Majeſty, are likewiſe removed from thence, ſince they do not find any Probability that the Congreſs can be formed in ſome time. They write from Gottorp, that the King of Denmark was expected there very ſoon. His Majeſty has declar'd, that he is willing to enter into a Treaty with the young Duke of Holſtein, upon Condition that the Adminiſtrator and his Miniſters ſhall have no part in the Negotiation. It is thought to be upon this account, that Monſieur Hagen is gone to preſs the Duke to return into his own Country. The Danes have found the Adminiſtrator's Original Order to the Governor of Tonningen to receive the Swedes into the Fortreſs, when they were preſs'd on all ſides by the Muſcovite Army and theirs. Monſieur Wederkop, who was kept in Priſon at that Place, and had been confined near Four Years by the Miniſters of Holſtein, has been ſet at Liberty, and his Daniſh Majeſty has taken him into his Protection. We have received Advice from Vienna, that the Emperor hath order'd the King of Sicily's Envoy to be gone immediately out of his Dominions, and that he hath likewiſe writ to the Diet of Ausbourg not to acknowledge the Miniſter ſent thither by the ſame Prince. Letters from Peterſbourg bring an Account, that the Muſcovite Forces in Finland were returned to Abo, where they were making great Preparations to penetrate into Sweden in Spring, and it was ſaid the Czar was reſolved to Command his Army in Perſon.

Verſailles, March 12. *N. S.* This Day Monſieur de Contade arrived here, and brought an Account, That the Treaty of Peace between the Emperor and the moſt Chriſtian King, was Sign'd on the 6th Inſtant at Radſtad.

Notice is hereby given, That there will be a General Quarterly Meeting of the Governors of the Bounty of Queen ANNE, for the Augmentation of the Maintenance of the Poor Clergy, at the New Buildings adjoining the Banqueting-Houſe, Whitehall, on Saturday the 20th of this Inſtant, at 10 in the Forenoon, upon an extraordinary Occaſion.

Monſieur d'Iberville, Envoy Extraordinary from his Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty, gives notice to all Tradeſmen and others who have truſted any of his Servants in his Name, that he will, between this and the 10th of this Inſtant March, continue to pay the Debts by them contracted. And he declares, That if any Tradeſman or others, ſells any Goods &c. for his Uſe, without receiving ready Money for the ſame, at the Delivery of them, he will not think himſelf obliged to pay the ſame, after the 10th of this Inſtant March.

The Court of Directors of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England give notice to the Subſcribers to two ſeveral Contracts for furniſhing Moneys to the Bank, (the Firſt for Fifteen hundred thouſand Pounds, dated the Seventeenth Day of February, 1712. and the other for Ten hundred thouſand Pounds, dated the Sixth Day of Auguſt laſt,) That they pay or cauſe to be paid to the ſaid Governor and Company, or to any of their Caſhiers for their Uſe, at Grocers Hall, London, one other Fifth Part, (being Twenty Pounds per Cent.) of the Sums by them reſpectively Subſcribed to each of the ſaid Contracts, on or before the Tenth Day of March Inſtant; for which, Notes of the Bank, payable at 12 Months, with Intereſt, at 6 per Cent. per Ann. ſhall be delivered according to the ſaid Contracts. Note, If the abovesaid Payment be not made, on or before the 10th Inſtant, the 10 per Cent. depoſited, with the Intereſt thereof, and Premium on the Subſcription of any Defaulter, will be Forfeited, and this Notice is given to the Subſcribers, to prevent their falling into any Miſtake.

The Royal African Company do hereby give notice, That the Subſcriptions begun on Tueſday laſt, continue to be taken at the African Houſe, purſuant to the Scheme agreed on at their General Court the 18th of February laſt.

The Court of Directors of the Corporation of the Amicable Society for a Perpetual Aſſurance-Office, do hereby give notice, That all Members who ſhall be 5 Quarters on Arrear at Lady-day next, will be excluded by the next General Court, if they do not pay their Arrears on or before the 24th of April next, purſuant to a By-Law for that purpoſe.

The Committee for Letting the City's Lands, in the Account of the Chamberlain of the City of London, give notice, That they intend to Lett by Leaſe Three Front Tenements near the upper End of Grubſtreet, in the Poſſeſſions of John Berry, Daniel Cole and John Baily; and Five Tenements with the Ground and Sheds in Boar's Head Court behind the ſame. An empty Houſe adjoyning, with a Tenement and Shed behind the ſame. Two Tenements there in the Poſſeſſions of Sarah Letter and John Bayly, and one Tenement and Shed behind the ſame. Four Tenements and Ground at the upper End of Little Sword-bearer's Alley in Chiſwell-ſtreet. A Tenement in Chiſwell-ſtreet, in the Poſſeſſion of William Matthews; and ſix Tenements in black Raven Court adjoyning, in the Poſſeſſions of — Tayler, — Douglas, Widow Nayler, — Hopkins, — Skittlethorp and — Faircloth. A Tenement and Garden at the upper End

End of black Raven Court, in poſſeſſion of the Widow Feild, and a Garden adjoyning in the Poſſeſſion of John Shaler. Two Tenements in Bun-hill Row, in the Poſſeſſions of —— Lewis and —— Howard; and two Houſes adjoyning near Chiſwell-ſtreet, with the Ground behind the ſame; and two Tenements in black Raven Court in Poſſeſſion of Chriſtopher Trotman and John Wadley, and an empty Houſe adjoyning. A Tenement and Ground in Bun-hill Row in Poſſeſſion of William Amos, and an empty Houſe adjoyning: And that the ſaid Committee will ſit in the Council Chamber of Guildhall, London, on Wedneſday the 10th Inſtant, at 3 of the Clock in the Afternoon, to receive Propoſals for the Premiſſes ſeverally; of which more particular Information may be had at the Comptroller's Office in the Guild hall aforeſaid.

Notice is hereby given by the Agent to the Captors, That the Officers and Company of Her Majeſty's Ship the Litchfield may, at Mr. Maſter's Houſe on Tower Hill, on the 10th of March Inſtant, receive their ſeveral Shares of the Hull and Bounty of the Flying Paſſenger, Privateer: And that the Shares of ſuch as ſhall not then be paid, may be received every Tueſday and Saturday Morning, during the ſpace of three Years, at the Place aforeſaid.

Notice is hereby given by the Agent to the Captors, That the Officers and Company of Her Majeſty's Ship the Rocheſter may, at Mr. Maſters's Houſe on Tower-hill, receive their ſeveral Shares of the Bounty for the Amazon, a Privateer, on the 11th Inſtant: And that the Shares of ſuch as are not then paid may be received every Tueſday and Saturday Morning, during the ſpace of three Years, at the Place aforeſaid.

Notice is hereby given by the Agent to the Captors, that the Officers and Company of Her Majeſty's Ship the Fly Brigantine may, at Mr. Maſter's Houſe on Tower Hill, on the 12th Inſtant, receive their ſeveral Shares of the Bounty for the St. Peter, a Privateer: And that the Shares of ſuch as are not then paid, may be received every Tueſday and Saturday Morning, during the ſpace of 3 Years, at the Place aforeſaid.

Advertiſements.

Juſt Publiſh'd, The

*** Treaty of Peace and Friendſhip between the moſt Serene and Potent Princeſs ANNE, by the Grace of God, Queen of Great Britain, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. And the moſt Serene and moſt Potent Prince Philip the Fifth, the Catholick King of Spain: Concluded at Utrecht the 13th Day of July, 1713. By Her Majeſty's Special Command. Printed and Sold at Her Majeſty's Printing-Office in Black-Friars.

WHeras Mary-Hill Morton, Widow, (Relict of Richard Morton, Gent. deceaſed) hath from time to time whilſt his Grace, Peregrine, now Duke of Leeds, was call'd Marquis of Carmarthen, moſt impudently and unlawfully taken upon her to ſtyle her ſelf Marchioneſs of Carmarthen, and ſince then Dutcheſs of Leeds; falſly pretending to be Married to, and to be the Wife of him the ſaid Duke. Which Matter having been fairly and ſolemnly try'd upon two ſeveral Tryals at Law, at Weſtminſter-Hall, by Juries of Gentlemen of the County of Middleſex, of great Worth and Probity; one before the Rt. Hon. Thomas Lord Trevor, Lord Chief Juſtice of Her Majeſty's Court of Common-Pleas at Weſtminſter, on the 12th of July, 1712; and the other before the Rt. Hon. Sir Thomas Parker, Kt. Lord Chief Juſtice of Her Majeſty's Court of Queen's-Bench, on the 17th of February laſt. Upon both which Tryals it manifeſtly appear'd, and was accordingly found by the ſeveral Verdicts of the ſaid Juries, That ſhe the ſaid Mary-Hill Morton was not the Wife of, or Married to him the ſaid Peregrine, now Duke of Leeds; and Damages are thereby given him againſt her, for the Injury ſhe hath ſo done him. His Grace doth hereby give publick Notice thereof; and that if any Perſon or Perſons ſhall hereafter preſume to ſay, that ſhe the ſaid Mary-Hill Morton is the Wife of him the ſaid Duke of Leeds, or to call, write, or ſtyle her by the Name or Title of Dutcheſs of Leeds, or by any other Title belonging to his Grace's Noble Family, He will take what Courſe or Method he can or may by Law, to puniſh ſuch Perſon or Perſons (from time to time) for ſo doing.

LEEDS.

FOR Sale by the Candle. By Order of the Honourable the Commiſſioners of Her Majeſty's Cuſtoms. On Wedneſday the Tenth of this Inſtant March, at Two of the Clock in the Afternoon, will be expoſed to Sale, in the Long Room in the Cuſtom Houſe, London, a Parcel of French Clarrets, clear of all Duties, and are to be ſeen on Tueſday the Ninth of March Inſtant, from Eight to Twelve in the Forenoon, and from Two till Five in the Afternoon, and on Wedneſday, from Eight to Twelve in the Forenoon. They are to be ſeen in Bear Key Gateway. The Buyer to pay down One Guinea each Lot.

THe Eſtate late of Edward Hall, deceas'd, in the Pariſhes of Wick and Abſon, in the County of Glouceſter, conſiſting of one Meſſuage, with the Appurtenances, and ſeveral Cloſes of Arable and Paſture, of the yearly Value of 59 l. 10 s. is to be ſold by Decree of the High Court of Chancery to the beſt Purchaſer, before John Hiccocks, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court. Particulars thereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers.

THe Manors of Bradwell, St. John's Bradwell Cirenceſter, and Bradwell Odinſalls, with the Royalties of Fiſhing, &c. and ſeveral Farms containing about 3500 Acres of Arable, Meadow, Paſture, and Wood lands, ſituate in Bradwell Kelmcot and Upper and Lower Filkins, in the County of Oxon, and in Shilton in Berks, being 595 l. per Ann. and upwards, and with ſmall Expence may be improved 400 l. per Ann. and upwards; are by Decree of the High Court of Chancery, to be ſold before John Orlebar, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Chancery Lane: Where Particular may be had.

A Very good Farm to be Lett, known by the Name of Frenden Farm, in the Pariſh of Chiddingſtone in the County of Kent, containing about 100 Acres of Paſture, Meadow and Arable Land, 30 Acres of which is very good Meadow. Inquire of Mr. William Pinnocke at Penſhurſt near Chiddingſtone in the County aforeſaid who has the Letting of the ſaid Farm.

A Meſſuage or Meaſeſtead, where a Houſe or Barn formerly ſtood, called Cockering houſe, with 25 Acres or thereabouts of Land, Meadow, Paſture, and Wood-ground, lying in Linton upon Wharf, in the Pariſh of Spoſorts near Weatherby in the County of York, of 20 l. per Ann. now in the Poſſeſſion of Walter Wildbore, being the Eſtate of William Middleton, jun. is to be ſold to the beſt Bidder, by Vertue of a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before Sir Thomas Gery, Kt. one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Houſe in New Court againſt Lincoln's Inn; where Particulars may be had of the ſaid Eſtate.

TO be Sold, the next Preſentation to a Rectory of about 100 l. per Ann. lying between Wells and Froom, Somerſetſhire, and the perpetual Advowſon of every other Turn to the ſame Rectory. There is a very good Parſonage-Houſe lately built. Enquire of Mr. Billingſley, Bookſeller under the Royal Exchange, London, or of Mr. William Sherſton, Attorney, at Wells.

THe Manor of Whitborough Hill, and ſeveral Farms, Lands and Wood-grounds in Ware, in the County of Hertford; late the Eſtate of Alexander Weld, Eſq; deceas'd, are to be ſold by a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before John Meller, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court; of which Particulars may be had at the Maſter's Chambers in Symond's Inn in Chancery-lane.

WHereas by an Act of Parliament made in the Year 1709. the Manors and Advowſon of Thimbleby and Woodhall, and three Woods called Conyers, Stowborne and Braken Wood, the Manor and Advowſon of Dryby, and divers Lands, Farms and Tenements all in Lincolnſhire, are Veſted in Truſtees, to be ſold for Payment of the Debts of Sir John Bolles, Bart. a Lunatick: And whereas the Right Hon. the late Lord Chancellor, appointed Sir Robert Legard, late one of the Maſters in Chancery, to approve of the beſt Purchaſer. Theſe are to give notice that a Survey, Particulars and Rentals, are left with Robert Holford, Eſq; (who ſucceeds the ſaid Maſter) at his Chambers in Symond's Inn in Chancery-lane, to be ſeen to ſatisfy any Purchaſer.

SEveral Meſſuages, Lands and Coppice-Woods, part of the Eſtate of Sir Humphry Forſter, Bart. deceas'd, lying in and near Alderman ſton, in the County of Berks, to be Sold to the beſt Bidder, before John Orlebar, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the High Court of Chancery, by Decree of the ſaid Court. Particulars may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers, or of Mr. Whiſhaw in Curſitor's Alley.

Whereas